



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

17555 PEAK AVENUE MORGAN HILL CALIFORNIA 95037

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2005

MORGAN HILL COMMUNITY & CULTURAL CENTER

Diana Murphy Room

Chair

Jeff Bernardini

LIAISON

Sports Complex, SAC

Swim Teams

Youth Advisory, Endowment

IRC, Parks, Sports Complex

Swim Teams

CPRS

BTAC

IRC, Sports Complex

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Vice-Chair

Marilyn Librers

Commission Member

Mark Frederick

Commission Member

Jim Green

Commission Member

Laura Hagiperos

Commission Member

Katharine Hardt-Mason

Commission Member

Craig C. van Keulen

7:05 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE
Absent: Hagiperos & Hardt-mason

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA
Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Led by Commissioner Hardt-Mason

PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

REPORTS

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1. COMMUNITY PARK MASTER PLAN

Deputy Director Struve gave a report of the plan to raise the fencing at the softball fields. It was brought up by the users that the fences were too low and could cause injury in the dugouts. Struve also reported that the bathrooms at Community Park were going to be replaced. The existing bathrooms will become another covered bar-b-que area and the new bathrooms will be built in the area by the softball fields. Chair Bernardini asked if concession stands could be added to the new bathrooms since the electricity would already be coming over. It was noted that the leagues could make some money selling food at the tournaments. Struve said this addition would be possible to look at, at this point of the design.

2. COMMUNITY INDOOR RECREATION CENTER

Providing PRC information on a potential 3rd Badminton court: Staff will bring scaled drawing. Commissioner Green asked an additional badminton court could be fit into the IRC. Staff noted that the lines would intersect and it would be too busy on the floor, Commissioner Green noted that the gym at Britton is small and they have no problem with all of the intersecting lines. He wondered if we were worried about form and not about function in our building. Struve and Green agreed that they would meet with the architect for the IRC at the Britton Gym. They will report back at the next meeting.

3. STATUS REPORT COMMUNITY PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Oral report

B. RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES

INTERIM MANAGER ROD COOPER

Mr. Cooper introduced himself to the board and gave a brief summary of his background.

C. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

NONE

BUSINESS

1. APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

Recommended Action: Appoint applicant to vacant seat on the Senior Advisory Committee. Application was received by Betty Gigliotti. Her appointment was approved with all Commissioners in favor.

2. NEW SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTING STRUCTURE

Recommended Action: Receive oral report regarding City Council action. It was noted that action was brought forth to City Council that the Senior Advisory board did not feel that it got proper representation reporting to the Parks and Recreation Committee. The Seniors asked that the reporting structure be changed so that they could report directly to City Council. This was approved by City Council. It was also noted that the Municipal Code will have to be modified to implement these changes. No date was given as to when this will go into effect.

3. OUTDOOR SPORTS COMPLEX UPDATE ON COUNCIL ACTION OF JULY 27, 2005 AND REVIEW OF THE CONCEPTUAL PLANS(S)

Recommended Action: Receive report from staff on Council actions at their meeting of July 27, 2005 and provide direction to staff on the review of the Phase 1 and Master Plan conceptual plans of the complex.

It was reported from the Council meeting of July 27, 2005 that the Coliseum Group did not expect all of the deal points that the City Council agreed upon. A letter was sent by the Coliseum Group that

they would not be moving forward with any agreements to build. City Council wanted the parking to be open to the public, Coliseum want to control all of the parking. City Council wanted the maintenance and the parking to be shared agreement.

Discussion was had about CYSA extending their lease at the Soccer Complex till June 2006. CYSA would like some upgrade of the parking lot and drainage of the parking and fields. They also want the City of Morgan Hill to buy water cannons for watering.

Parks and Recreation Commission would like for the sports complex to be a “sport park” City Council says that the model is more like Aquatics, fenced in and rented at a cost to the user.

Discussion continued about configuration of the fields, who would use fields and who would do scheduling. Some discussion continued that the configuration should be change. Commissioners van Kuelan and Green stated that if they were going to change the configuration after 18 months of discussion that they would need to have all of the parties back at the table.

Staff Spier feels that we should invite all of the representatives to talk again. Staff Spier passed out the City Council goals for the Outdoor Sports Complex and read City Council recommendations. City Council is looking for cost recovery in the 3rd year of operation. The council would help in the first 2 years with 2.5 million dollars in the first phase.

Item opened for public comment. Student speaker Kevin Lynch asked what the CRG was. Student speaker Sara Hull asked for a summary on the topic. Chair Bernardini explained.

Kevin Dunwoody from Orchard Valley Soccer and a member of the sub-committee spoke about all the work that was done on the sub-committee. He feels that the fields should stay as designed.

Public comment closed.

Commissioner Frederick stated that if we accept the design as is then the PRC will send this information back to City Council so that they can proceed. If the PRC is going to change the design then the process needs to go back to the sub-committee.

Staff Spier advised the PRC that the City Council wants a decision based on the field design and the fact that the CRG is not involved any longer.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER VAN KUELAN TO ACCEPT THE CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN OF THE OUTDOOR SPORTS COMPLEX AS RECOMMENDED. MOTION SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GREEN. MOTION PASSED 3-1-1

4. INDOOR RECREATION CENTER CONSTRUCTION MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT.

Recommended Action: Receive report. Deputy Director Struve said that the IRC is on schedule. There will be a tour for City Council and the PRC on October 18, 2005, 4:30 p.m.

5. RENTAL FEES FOR THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL SPORTS FIELD

Recommended action: Chair would like to begin discussion of current rental fees and provided direction to staff on how to proceed. The current price for renting fields for a league is presently \$17.00 for an entire season. Commissioner Bernardini feels that we need to know what the cost is to maintain the fields and then come up with a new price to rent the fields. Deputy Director Struve will start to work on this by comparing with other cities. He will try to bring the information back to the October meeting.

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 19, 2005

Recommended Action: Approve minutes as presented.

MOTION BY VAN KUELAN AND SECONDED BY GREEN TO ACCEPT MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED 3- 2 (ABSTAINED)

ANNOUNCEMENTS NONE

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS AS STATED IN THE MINUTES

**ADJOURNMENT AT 8:50 PM, next meeting of Parks and Recreation Commission to be held on
October 18, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.**